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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Somesh GUPTA, Boris ZEMLYAK and Tom HERBERT  
AN ARCHITECTURE AND API FOR OF TRANSPORT AND UPPER LAYER  
PROTOCOL PROCESSING ACCELERATION  
Assignee: **SILVERBACK SYSTEMS, INC.**  
Our Ref. Q74103

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising forty-three (43) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, twelve (12) sheets of drawings, a copy of the executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

Applicant claims benefit of small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.27.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows (**Small Entity fees apply**):

Total claims	135	-	20	=	115	x	\$9.00	=	\$1035.00
Independent claims	4	-	3	=	1	x	\$43.00	=	\$43.00
Base Fee									\$385.00
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>									<b>\$1463.00</b>
Recordation of Assignment									\$40.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>									<b>\$1503.00</b>

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$1463.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
U.S. Provisional	60/446,558	February 12, 2003

Respectfully submitted,  
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